GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Agricultural Marketing Department – Departmental proceedings initiated against Sri SK. Gouse Basha, the then Deputy Director of Marketing on OD as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Nellore and Smt. T.Krishnaveni, the then Supervisor, AMC, Nellore on the allegations of irregularities in issuing of cash receipts / preparation of assessment orders and maintain of records etc. and also tampering of certain records in AMC, Nellore – Inquiry conducted – Charges proved – Imposing of penalty – Orders – Issued.

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AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.831 **Dated:25.11.2022.**

Read the following:-

1. Procgs.No.123/2016, dated:11-11-2016 of the Chairman, AMC, Nellore.
2. G.O.Rt.No.80, Agri.& Coop.(Vig.II) Dept., dated:15-02-2018.
3. Written statement of defence dated:15-12-2016 of Smt. T.Krishnaveni, Supervisor, AMC, Nellore.
4. Written statement of defence dated:19-12-2018 of Sri Shaik Ghouse Basha, DDM & the then Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Nellore.
5. Govt. Memo No.609/Vig.II(1)/2017, dated:13-12-2019.
6. G.O.Rt.No.167, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II) Dept., dated:24-02-2020.
7. Govt. Memo No.609/Vig.II(1)/2017, dated:18-02-2021.
8. G.O.Rt.498, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II) Dept., dated:28-07-2021.
9. Inquiry report dated:17-03-2022 of the COI-KVR.
10. Govt. Memo No.609/Vig.II(1)/2017, dated:07-04-2022.
11. Representation dated:01-07-2022 of Sri SK. Gouse Basha, DDM & the then Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Nellore & presently working as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Attili, West Godavari District.
12. Representation dated:04-07-2022 of Smt. T. Krishnaveni, the then Supervisor, AMC, Nellore & presently working as Supervisor, AMC, Kovur, SPSR Nellore District.
13. Govt.Letter No.MKTG/609/Vig.II(1)/2017, dated:30-09-2022.
14. Letter No.GAD03-APPS0DCC/102/2022-DC.SEC-APPSC (Computer No.187714), dated:09-11-2022 of the Secretary, APPSC, Vijayawada.

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O R D E R:

In a disciplinary case, on the allegations of irregularities in issuing of cash receipts / preparation of assessment orders and maintain of records etc. and also tampering of certain records in AMC, Nellore, the Chairman, AMC, Nellore, in the reference 1st read above, initiated departmental proceedings by framing article of charges against Smt. T.Krishnaveni, Supervisor, AMC, Nellore. On the same allegations, based on the report of the Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Government had initiated departmental proceedings by framing article of charges against Sri SK. Gouse Basha, the then Deputy Director of Marketing on OD as Selection Grade Secretary, Nellore vide G.O.2nd read above.

2. Both the Charged Officers have submitted their written statements of defence denying the charges framed against them. After examining the matter, the case was entrusted to Commissioner of Inquiries. In the G.O.8th

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read above, orders were issued reassigning the case from Sri T.A.Tripathi, IPS, Commissioner of Inquiries, to Sri K. Venkata Ramireddy, Member, Commissioner of Inquiries for further processing of the case.

3. After conducting regular inquiry, the Commissioner of Inquiries has furnished the inquiry report dated:17-03-2022 concluding that two charges framed against the Charged Officer-1 are held proved and three charges framed against the Charged Officer-2 are held proved in the instant disciplinary case.

4. In the reference 10th read above, a copy of inquiry report dated:17-03-2022 of the Commissioner of Inquiries-KVR was communicated to the two Charged Officers with a direction to submit their explanation on the findings of the Commissioner of Inquiries-KVR for taking further course of action in the matter.

5. The Charged Officer-1 viz. Sri SK. Gouse Basha, the Deputy Director of Marketing on OD as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Nellore & presently working as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Attili, West Godavari District, has submitted his representation dated:01-07-2022 on the findings of the Commissioner of Inquiries-KVR and requested to consider his submissions favourbly and exonerate from the article of charges framed against him.

6. The Charged Officer-2 viz. Smt. T. Krishnaveni, the then Supervisor, AMC, Nellore & presently working as Supervisor, AMC, Kovur, S.P.S.R. Nellore District, has submitted her representation dated:04-07-2022 on the findings of the Commissioner of Inquiries-KVR and requested that, the article of charges framed against her are not maintainable and found excusable and ought to be exonerated for having ratified by Charged Officer-1.

7. Government, after thorough examination of the matter with reference to the record of inquiry, Government have observed that, with regard to Charged Officer-1, as seen from the findings of Member, Commissioner of Inquiries, the lapse is supervisory in nature. The Charged Officer-1 has failed to supervise as well as exercise controls/checks etc. for the responsibility delegated to him under the provisions of various rules in vogue. But his lack of supervision has laid to serious financial irregularity and financial loss to the State. However, with regard to Charged Officer-2, as per the report of the Member, Commissioner of Inquiries, it is evident that she committed financial irregularity and misappropriation. The Charged Officer-2 has also accepted her lapse and has remitted Rs. 1,44,330/ including penal interest to the Government. Further, the Government also accepted the findings of the Member, Commissioner of Inquiries. Therefore, Government have provisionally decided to impose major penalty against both the Charged Officers-1 & 2 viz. Sri SK. Gouse Basha, the Deputy Director of Marketing on OD as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Nellore & presently working as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Attili, West Godavari District and Smt. T. Krishnaveni, the then Supervisor, AMC, Nellore & presently working as Supervisor, AMC, Kovur, S.P.S.R. Nellore District, in the instant disciplinary case.

8. Keeping the position in view and in consultation of the A.P.Public Service Commission, Government thereby order to impose a penalty of "withholding of two annual grade increments with cumulative effect" against both the Charged Officers viz. Sri SK. Gouse Basha, Deputy Director of Marketing &

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the then Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Nellore and presently working as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Attili and Smt. T.Krishnaveni, the then Supervisor, AMC, Nellore & presently working as Supervisor, AMC, Kovur, S.P.S.R.Nellore District, in the instant disciplinary case.

9. The Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur shall take further necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

CHIRANJIV CHOUDHARY, IFS,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri SK. Gouse Basha,
Deputy Director of Marketing & the then Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Nellore and presently working as Selection Grade Secretary, AMC, Attili.
Smt. T.Krishnaveni,
the then Supervisor, AMC, Nellore & presently working as Supervisor, AMC, Kovur, S.P.S.R.Nellore District
(Through:- The Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur)
Copy to:-
The Commissioner & Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur.
The Secretary, A.P.P.S.C., Vijayawada.
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// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

K. Sampath Kumar
SECTION OFFICER